

1906-042 Chancery Causes: Flora Cobble Phillips vs. Joe Phillips alias Pinkney Phillips  
Lee Co.

Cobble

CA-Divorce



To the Hon. H.A.W.Skeen, Judge of the Circuit Court for Lee County,  
Virginia:

Humbly complaining, your petitioner, Flora Gobble Phillips  
would respectfully represent and show unto your Honor as follows:

That she is now, and has been for more than 12 months previous  
hereto a citizen and resident of Lee County, Virginia, and now  
resides with her father Emory A.Gobble, at Blackwater, Lee County,  
Virginia:

That in the year 1900, she was married to one Joe Phillips  
with whom she lived in wedlock for a few months when the said Joe  
Phillips deserted her and has now been separated from her for more  
than 3 years previous to the institution of this suit. That the  
said Joe Phillips deserted your petitioner without any lawful or  
just cause, and has refused since to live with her or to provide  
for her any support. That your petitioner and the said Joe Phillips  
have not co-habited together for more than three years previous to  
the institution of this suit. Your petitioner is informed that  
the said Joe Phillips is a resident of Lee County, but as to this  
fact your petitioner does not of her own personal knowledge know.  
The premises considered, your petitioner is advised under the law  
of the state of Virginia, on account of the desertion of her husband  
she is entitled to a divorce of inculo matrimonae and to this end  
she therefore prays that the said Joe Phillips be made a party to  
this bill and be required to answer the same, but not under oath,  
that being expressly waived. That upon the hearing your petitioner  
be granted said divorce from the bonds of matrimony and that all  
other and further relief be granted to her. that the nature of her  
cause and conscience may require and she will ever pray &c.

*Flora Gobble Phillips*  
.....p.q.



Aura Phillips

8  $\frac{1}{4}$  Bill

Joe Phillips

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1906, 1<sup>st</sup> May Rules,  
Bill filed & alias  
Spa. executed,  
" 2<sup>nd</sup> May Rules,  
Cause set for  
hearing,

Decree Final  
May Term, 1906

1900 to 10



Thos Phillips.

Compliment

Joe Phillips,

Wilmington.

This cause came on this day to be heard upon the bill of the Compliment & the deposition of witnesses and was argued by counsel;

And it appearing to the Court that the defendant has been duly summoned & the failure to appear, plead or answer the said bill of the said Compliment is taken for confessed. And the Court being satisfied from the deposition that the defendant deserted the plaintiff more than three years next preceding the bringing of this suit, and that they have not since co-habited to the <sup>it is alleged and charged that the plaintiff</sup> said plaintiff is hereby awarded a divorce a vinculo matrimonii & the bond of wedlock & intercourse existing between said plaintiff & said defendant is hereby forever dissolved. And this cause is stricken from the docket.



Flora Phillips

v. 3 Decree.

Joe Phillips.

Entered in 1843.

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Enter this

May 28, 1906.

H. E. W. Stone



The depositions of E.A.Gobble and Flora Phillips, taken before me Geo.P.Cridlin, a commissioner in chancery for the circuit court of Lee county Virginia, at the office of R.L. Pennington in the town of Jonesville, Virginia, on the 5th day of May, 1906, pursuant to notice hereto attached, which depositions are intended to be read as evidence in behalf of the Plaintiff in a chancery cause depending in the circuit court of Lee county in which Flora Phillips is Plaintiff and Joe Phillips is defendant.

Present R.L.Pennington attorney for plaintiff.

E.A.Gobble, a witness of lawful age being first duly sworn deposes as follows:

Q.1. State your age, residence and relationship to the plaintiff.

A. I am 65 years old, residence Blackwater, and am father of the plaintiff.

Q.2. When was she married to Joe Phillips, how long did he live with her, and how long has it been since he deserted her?

A. They were married in 1899, and he lived with her about 12 months. They went to Dickenson County and staid about 12 months, Flora came home and he has never lived with her since.

Q.3. Are you acquainted with Joe Phillips, if so state what kind of a man he is?

A. I am acquainted with him, and he is just a tramp who bums around from place to place, and dose not have any regular place of abode.

Q.4. Where has Flora lived for the last year or more?

A. At my house on Blackwater Lee county Va. she has lived there for the last four years.

And further this deponent saith not.

E. A. Gobble  
mark



Flora Phillips another witness of lawful age, being duly sworn deposes as follows:

Q.1. State your age, and the place where you have resided for the past year or more.

A. I am 24 years old. I have lived on Blackwater, in Lee county, Virginia. with my father.

Q.2. When were you married to Joe Phillips.

A. I was married to Joe Phillips in 1899 at my home on Blackwater.

Q. 3. How long did he live with you?

A. About 12 months.

Q.4. What became of him then.

A. He went off and left me, I do not know where he went except that he just bumed around.

Q.5. Have you lived with him as his wife since he left you?

A. No sir.

Q.5. What kind of a fellow is he.

A. He did not do much of anything, except go from place to place. He would some times work a day or two at a place and then go on somewhere else, and he finally dropped me entirely.

Q.6. Has he contributed anything to your support since he left you in Dickenson county?

A. He has not. I have heard of his being in the county and on Blackwater since then but he did not come to see me.

And furthr this deponent saith not.

Flora <sup>her</sup> Phillips  
near

Virginia, Lee county, To&wit:

I, Geo.P.Cridlin, a Commissioner in chancery for the circuit court of Lee county, Virginia, do certify that the foregoing depositions of E.A.Gobble and Flora Phillips were taken, sworn to and subscribed before me at the time, place and for the purpose in the caption mentioned.

Given under my hand this the 5, 1906.

Geo. P. Cridlin  
Commissioner in Chancery.



Flora Phillips

vs. John Day

Joe Phillips

Filed May 5, 1906

T. L.  
S. H. S. Young,  
Clerk.



Southwest Virginian, }  
Jonesville, Va. } Form 100.

To

TAKE NOTICE THAT

I shall on the

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day of

May 1906

at

P. F. Cunningham's Office

in

Jonesville

between the

hours of

8

A. M. and

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P. M., of that day, proceed to take the depositions of

Ernest A. Goffe

and others, which, when taken,

is

intended to be read as evidence in

my

behalf, in a certain suit in

Chrouney

now

pending in the

Circuit-

Court, of Lee County, Virginia, wherein you are

Defendant

and

I am Plaintiff

; and if, from any cause, the taking of said depositions be not com-

menced on that day, or, if commenced, be not concluded on that day, the taking of the same will be adjourned and con-  
tinued from day to day, or from time to time, and from place to place, or at the same place, until the same shall be com-  
pleted.

Respectfully yours,

Thera G. Phillips

By P. F. Cunningham



John Phillips

vs.

Notice to Take  
Depositions.

Jac Phillips -

P. Brown

P. Q.

Executed on 29 day of  
April 1904 by delivering  
a true copy to Jac  
Phillips of the  
within Notice  
this April 29 day 1904

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L. J. Mohan, L.D.  
for P.M. Ball, L.C.



The Commonwealth of Virginia,

To the Sheriff of the County of Lee, Greeting:

*again*

WE COMMAND YOU, That you summon

*Joe (Pinkney) Phillipps*

to appear at the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of the County of Lee, at rules to be held for the said court, on the *1<sup>st</sup>* Monday in *May*, 190*6*, to answer a bill in chancery exhibited against *him*

*by Flora Phillipps*

And have then there this writ. Witness, H. C. T. EWING, Clerk of our said Court, at the court-house, the *28<sup>th</sup>* day of *April*, 190*6*, and *30<sup>th</sup>* year of the Commonwealth.

A Copy, Teste:

*H. C. T. Ewing*, Clerk.

\_\_\_\_\_, Clerk.



Flora Phillipps

VS

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SUBPENA  
IN  
CHANCERY.

Joe (Pickney) Phillipps

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To 1st May Rules.  
Lee Circuit Court.

1904

Executed by delivering  
a true copy of the within  
summons to Joe Pickney  
Phillipps on the 29 day  
of April 1904 L. H. Mahan  
U. S. for Pm. Ball. S. L. R.



The Commonwealth of Virginia,

To the Sheriff of the County of Lee, Greeting:

WE COMMAND YOU, That you summon

*Joe (Pinkney) Phillippo*

to appear at the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of the County of Lee, at rules to be held for the said court, on the ~~3rd~~ <sup>2nd</sup> Monday in *Nov.*, 190*5*, to answer a bill in chancery exhibited against *him*

*in our said court, by Flora Phillippo*

And have then there this writ. Witness, H. C. T. EWING, Clerk of our said Court, at the court-house, the *6th* day of *Nov.*, 190*5*, and 1 *30*<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth.

A Copy, Teste:

*H. C. T. Ewing*, Clerk.

*H. C. T. Ewing*, Clerk.

*alias -  
To 1st May Rule -*



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To-----Rules.

-----Court.

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The Commonwealth of Virginia,

To the Sheriff of the County of Lee, Greeting:

WE COMMAND YOU, That you summon

*Joe Pinkney Phillipps*

to appear at the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of the County of Lee, at rules to be held for the said court, on the *3<sup>rd</sup>* Monday in *Nov.*, 190*5*, to answer a bill in chancery exhibited against *him*

*in our said court, by Flora Phillipps*

And have then there this writ. Witness, H. C. T. EWING, Clerk of our said Court, at the court-house, the *6<sup>th</sup>* day of *Nov.*, 190*5*, and 1 *30<sup>th</sup>* year of the Commonwealth.

A Copy, Teste:

*H. C. T. Ewing*, Clerk.

\_\_\_\_\_, Clerk.



Mr. Ewing

Flora Phillips

VS

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SUBPOENA  
IN  
CHANCERY.

Joe (Pinkney) Phillips

Pen. Bros. C. L. p. q

To 2<sup>nd</sup> Nor. Rules.

Lee Carriest Court.

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wise  
J. J. Hughes D. L.  
for J. M. Ball  
L. L. C.

Mr. Ewing is now in the